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Atty. Docket No.: 2910  
(203-3363)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Roby et al. Examiner: Ricci, John A.  
Serial No.: 10/618,806 Group Art Unit: 3714  
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For: **SUTURE RETAINER PACKAGE**

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- [ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [ ] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
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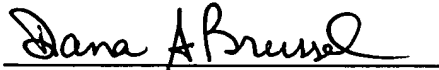
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In response to the Office Action mailed on April 18, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

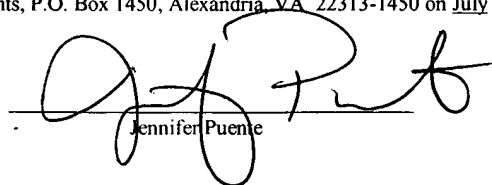
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
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